IN THE

SUPREME COURT OF INDIANA

IN THE MATTER OF)
)
APPROVAL OF LOCAL) Case No.
)
RULES FOR PIKE COUNTY)

ORDER APPROVING PIKE COUNTY LOCAL RULES

The judge of the Pike Circuit Court requests the approval local rules required pursuant to Ind. Trial Rule 79(H) and Ind. Criminal Rule 2.2. Because all local rules of the Pike Circuit Court were rescinded by the prior judge of that court before his departure from the bench, the newly elected judge of the Pike Circuit Court prays that this Court find sufficient exigent circumstances to warrant the immediate approval of these local rules notwithstanding the requirements of Ind. Trial Rule 81.

Upon examination of the proposed local rules requested by the Pike Circuit Court, this Court finds that proposed local rules comply with the requirements of Ind. Trial Rule 79(H) and Ind. Criminal Rule 2.2, and, accordingly, should be approved.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED by this Court that the Emergency Local Rules of the Pike Circuit Court for assignment of special judge in civil and criminal cases pursuant to Ind. Trial Rule 79(H) and Ind. Criminal Rule 2.2, set forth as an attachment to this Order, be exempted from the requirements of Ind. Trial Rule 81, and be approved for immediate implementation, effective February 3, 2005.

The Clerk of this Court is directed to forward a copy of this Order to the Honorable Jeffrey Biesterveld, Pike Circuit Court, and to the Clerk of the Pike Circuit Court.

The Clerk of the Pike Circuit Court is directed to place a copy of this Order in the Record

of Judgments and Orders for all courts of record in Pike County and to post this Order for public
examination.
DONE at Indianapolis, Indiana, this day of February, 2005.
Randall T. Shepard Chief Justice of Indiana